

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
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**Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement # 41
Emergency Order: 47**

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in King Salmon with an announcement for Egegik and update for Ugashik District fishermen. The time is **3:00 p.m.** and the date is **Friday, July 6, 2012.**

In Egegik: Escapement at the tower on July 5 was 205,000. Catch on July 5 was 612,000. The 6:00 am count was 26,000. Through July 5, cumulative catch is 3.2 million and cumulative escapement is 673,000.

Commercial fishing will be permitted with drift and set gillnet gear from 2:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. Saturday, June 7.....an 8 hour opener.

Egegik fishermen should be sure of their markets before fishing.

In Ugashik: Escapement July 5 was 9,252 and catch from the set net only opener was 21,000. Through July 5, cumulative catch is 1.3 million and cumulative escapement is 45,000.

In river test fish indices picked up slightly yesterday, but the catch from the set net only opening did not indicate much volume in the district. We flew an aerial survey and estimated 50,000 fish in the lagoon. Passage at the tower is increasing, indicating the fish are starting to move. If escapement increases enough the district may open Saturday, but Sunday is more likely. However, the timing of the next opening will depend on levels of escapement.

Fishermen in Egegik and Ugashik Districts should stand by at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, July 7 for the next possible announcement.

This has been the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in King Salmon.

Read on VHF 7 and SSB 2509: July 6, 2012 3:00 p.m.
Connected EO's: 2F-T-47-12

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